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stabilizer, at least one flame retardant and at least one optical brightener.

12 (Amended) The opaque white film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the surface gloss of the film according to DIN 67530 (measurement angle 20°) is greater than or equal to 10, and the luminous transmittance (transparency) of the film, according to ASTM-D 1003 is less than or equal to 30%.

13. (Amended) The opaque white film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film has one or more layers, and wherein the film having more than one layer comprises at least one core layer and at least one outer layer.

14. (Amended) The opaque white film as claimed in claim 13, wherein, in the film having more than one layer, the barium sulfate, the flame retardant and the optical brightener are present in the core layer, and the UV stabilizer is present in the outer layer(s).

15. (Amended) The opaque white film as claimed in claim 14, wherein the outer layers comprise barium sulfate, flame retardant and optical brightener.

16. (Amended) The opaque white film as claimed in claim 1, having a scratch-resistant coating, a copolyester or an adhesion promoter on at least one side of the film.

REMARKS

The due date for filing a response to this Office Action was October 22, 2002. A two months extension of time is filed simultaneously herewith extending the due date to December 22, 2002.

Claim 5 is objected to because of an alleged typographical error: "bisbenzoxazoles" should read "bisbenzoxazoles".

Applicant cannot agree to this change. The specification at page 9 describes some of the optical brighteners as "bisbenzoxazoles". Specific reference is made in this regard to Eastobrite OB-1 from Eastman. The Examiner is invited to check the chemical composition of Eastobrite OB on the InterNet, e.g. under www.interowa.at/en/east_1.html. These optical brighteners are defined as 2,2-(1,2-Ethendiyl-di-4,1-phenylene)bisbenzoxazoles. Accordingly